

Karaer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands, and as Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, and John Stern Wolf, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Coordinator for Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FOREIGN POLICY NOTIFICATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held hearings to examine the need to improve procedures for

notifying Congress of significant changes in United States foreign policy, receiving testimony from John M. Deutch, Director of Central Intelligence; Michael Matheson, Acting Legal Adviser, Department of State; Whit Peters, Deputy General Counsel, Department of Defense; and Lloyd Cutler, former Counsel to Presidents Carter and Clinton, and Morton Halperin, Council on Foreign Relations, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4026–4037; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 190, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3863, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to permit lenders under the unsubsidized Federal Family Education Loan program to pay origination fees on behalf of borrowers, amended (H. Rept. 104–775);

H. Res. 470, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Department of Education should play a more active role in monitoring and enforcing compliance with the provisions of the Higher Education Act of 1965 related to campus crime (H. Rept. 104–776); and

H.R. 3640, to provide for the settlement of issues and claims related to the trust lands of the Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, amended (H. Rept. 104–777).

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Committees to Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, Judiciary, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Funderburk wherein he resigns from the Committee on Small Business.

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Water Rights Task Force: Read a letter from the Democratic Leader wherein he appoints Mr. Richard Roos-Collins of California, from private life, to the Water Rights Task Force.

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Transportation Appropriations: House disagreed with the Senate amendments to H.R. 3675, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Wolf, DeLay, Regula, Rogers, Lightfoot, Packard, Callahan, Dickey, Livingston, Sabo, Durbin, Coleman, Foglietta, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct conferees to disagree with the Senate amendment numbered 150.

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Energy and Water Appropriations: The House disagreed with Senate amendments to H.R. 3816, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Myers, Rogers, Knollenberg, Riggs, Frelinghuysen, Bunn, Parker, Livingston, Bevill, Fazio, Chapman, Visclosky, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Bevill motion to instruct conferees to insist on provisions of section 510 of the House-passed bill relating to the Tennessee Valley Authority.

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Armed Forces Protection Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 299 yeas to 109 nays, Roll No. 405, the House passed H.R. 3308, to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit the placement of United States forces under United Nations operational or tactical control.

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Agreed To:

The Spence amendment that makes technical corrections and clarifies compliance with existing law;

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The Bartlett amendment that prohibits members of the armed forces from wearing United Nations insignia unless specifically authorized by Congress (agreed to by a recorded vote of 276 ayes to 130 noes, Roll No. 404); and

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The Schroeder amendment that requires the President to estimate the United States percentage of total cost for each United Nations Operation.

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H. Res. 517, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Small Business Programs Improvement Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas, Roll No. 406, the House passed H.R. 3719, to amend the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended.

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Agreed To:

The Meyers en bloc amendment that extends the amount of time the SBA administrator may take to approve a loan from three days to five; provides that the administrator may require lenders to retain exposure of up to 10 per cent unless the Administrator determines that the lender has undertaken other agreements which retain an acceptable exposure to loss in the event of default limits applicable disaster loan rate to borrowers at 6 per cent, increases the guarantee fee for certified development companies; and specifies that requests made by a certified development company shall be deemed to be approved if the Administrator does not approve or deny a request within 5 business days; and

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The Traficant amendment that requires an independent study to improve the ability of the Office of Management and Budget to reflect the budgetary implications of subsidy models.

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H. Res. 516, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2428, to encourage the donation of food and grocery products to nonprofit organizations for distribution to needy individuals by giving the Model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act the full force and effect of law—clearing the measure for the President.

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Presidential Message—Emigration Laws of Mongolia: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning emigration laws and policies of Mongolia—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–258).

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of September 9. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, September 9, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, for morning hour debates. Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, September 10, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 11.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of September 11.

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Address by the Prime Minister of Ireland: Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, September 11, 1996 for the Speaker to declare a recess subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in joint meeting His Excellency John Bruton, Prime Minister of Ireland.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H10045 and H10074.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10072, H10073–74, and H10088–89. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HATCH ACT AND RELATED LAW VIOLATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition and Foreign Agriculture met to consider Hatch Act and related law violations.

MONEY LAUNDERING ACTIVITY—MEXICAN NARCO-CRIME SYNDICATE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Money Laundering Activity Associated with the Mexican Narco-Crime Syndicate. Testimony was heard from Johathan Weiner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Crime, Department of State; Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice; George Weise, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.